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Sri K. C. GOPALAN UNNI :—" Will the Government consider the opening of more centres if those facilities are given to them, Sir? "

The Hon. Sri S. B. P. PATTABHI RAMA RAO :—" The Department is expanding, Sir. Certainly we will look into the matter."

Sri S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" May I know what are the subjects which are being taught at these welfare centres? "

The Hon. Sri S. B. P. PATTABHI RAMA RAO :—" Hand crafts which the womenfolk generally take to, reading, writing and some of the small arts like stitching, etc."

Sri KUNHI MUHAMED SHAFEE :—" May I know what are the services rendered by the centres to the backward and the poor people? "

The Hon. Sri S. B. P. PATTABHI RAMA RAO :—" I have just now mentioned them. The chief among them is that they will be taught the three R's, reading, writing and arithmetic."

Sri V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" Sir, are the women given training also in the latest form of cosmetics? " (Laughter.)

Sri K. VINAYAKAM :—" Are these Rural Welfare Women Officers teaching matters like family planning and birth-control to the illiterate women-folk of the villages? "

The Hon. Sri S. B. P. PATTABHI RAMA RAO :—" The hon. Member seems to be specialising in that art. He has already put the same question and I have replied some months ago. All the same, for the satisfaction of the hon. Member, I would like to say that when such advice is sought, it is being given."

Travelling allowance to the Police officials in Nellore

* 944 *Q.*—Sri K. RAMAIAH CHOWDARY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Government of Madras issued any orders to the District Superintendent of Police of Nellore not to pay travelling allowance to the Police in Nellore district; and if so, why? 9-20 a.m.

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The answer is in the negative.

" It is rather difficult to understand what exactly the hon. Member has in his mind in putting this question. The drawal of travelling allowance is governed by the Madras Travelling Allowance Rules and the issue of an executive order sanctioning or withholding the payment of travelling allowance to any particular class of Government servants does not arise."